



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Parksville Fire Receives Support for Home Fire Sprinkler Demo**

The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department received \$500 in support from the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition (HFSC), a non profit educational organization, to increase awareness of the lifesaving benefits of home fire sprinklers.

The live demonstration will be conducted at 1.30 pm on Sunday, October 6 at the Fire Prevention Week Open House and will include two similarly furnished rooms; one protected with fire sprinklers and the other without fire sprinklers. People who attend the demonstration will be able to view firsthand how quickly a fire can become deadly versus the quick response and effectiveness of a fire sprinkler system in controlling or extinguishing a fire.

The Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition selected 22 departments across Canada that participate in its Built for Life Fire Department program to receive the stipends and educate residents about the benefits of home fire sprinklers. Built for Life Fire Departments commit to making home fire sprinklers a focus of their public-education efforts.

The Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition (HFSC) is the number one resource for accurate, non-commercial information and materials about home sprinklers. The Canadian HFSC stipend awards are supported by The Co-operators and the Canadian Automatic Sprinkler Association (CASA). [www.homefiresprinklercanada.ca](http://www.homefiresprinklercanada.ca).

#### **Quote:**

“We are pleased to be chosen for this support,” said Assistant Fire Chief Steven Liedl. “Using the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition’s educational materials, we will use this stipend to move forward with this important public education demonstration, which illustrates the danger of home fires, especially in today’s lightweight-construction homes, and more importantly, the lifesaving benefits of home fire sprinklers.”

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